



ATTACHMENT A

Remarks

This RCE is filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed on March 2, 2004.

Claim 1 has been amended so that there is no question that the language used therein is supported in the specification. Although the discussion by the Examiner of the issue involving the "piston" and "cylinder" is difficult to follow (the Examiner suggests that the language "should be read -- applying a pressure to a piston or the hydraulic cylinder --"). In order to avoid any issue with respect to non-illustration, claim 1, as amended, does not refer to a piston. It is further noted that the language of claim 1 as previously amended was fully supported by original claim 8. In any event, it is believed that the current claim language is fully in accordance with the requirements of 35 USC 112 and allowance of the application in its present form is respectfully solicited.